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| In re application of:<br><br>    DONALD G. WALLACE et al.<br><br>Application No.: 09/553,969<br><br>Filed: April 21, 2000<br><br>For: FRAGMENTED POLYMERIC COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THEIR USE<br><br>Customer No.: 44183 | Confirmation No.: 6560<br><br>Examiner: CHANNAVAJJALA, Lakshmi Sarada<br><br>Art Unit: 1611<br><br>FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98 |

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